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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/663,450	Applicant(s) PENTTILA ET AL.	
	Examiner David Guzo	Art Unit 1636	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 June 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2,3,5-13,26-34,83-85,87 and 89-99 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 83-85 and 87 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 2,3,5-13,26-34,91-94,98 and 99 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 89,90 and 95-97 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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Detailed Action

Election/Restriction

Claims 83-85, 87 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 10/17/05.

Objections to the Specification

The specification is objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. See 37 CFR 1.75(d)(1) and MPEP § 608.01(o). Correction of the following is required: In original Claim 5, applicants recite that the HAC1 protein is encoded by an isolated nucleic acid isolated from any *Saccharomyces*, *Schizosaccharomyces* or *Kluyveromvces*. However, the specification, as filed only provides support for HAC1 proteins encoded by an isolated nucleic acid from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* or *Kluyveromvces lactis*. The specification must be amended to include the subject matter of claim 5.

35 USC 112, 1st Paragraph Rejections

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 2-3, 5-13, 26-34, 91-94, 98 and 99 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s)

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contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Applicants claim a method of increasing the secretion of a heterologous protein in a fungal cell comprising transforming fungal cells with a nucleic acid encoding a fungal HAC1 UPR-modulating protein **comprising a DNA binding domain having the DNA binding domain of amino acid residues 45-109 of SEQ ID NO:19**. Applicants also recite the aforementioned method wherein the UPR-modulating protein **comprises a DNA binding domain having the DNA binding domain of amino acid residues 84 to 147 of SEQ ID NO:5 or amino acid residues 53 to 116 of SEQ ID NO:6**.

The instant claims recite a DNA binding domain **having** (open language, i.e. comprising) the DNA binding domain of the recited portions of SEQ ID NOs 5, 6 or 19. This language reads on a DNA binding domain comprising DNA binding element(s) which include the recited specific residues of SEQ ID NOs 5, 6 or 19 and other unspecified DNA binding domains. The application, as filed does not provide support for this. The application, as filed, provides support for the specific SEQ ID NOs 5, 6 and 19 and the specific residues in said SEQ ID NOs which define the DNA binding domains as well as binding domains having at least 90% identity to the specific DNA binding domains contained in the recited SEQ ID NOs. This is a NEW MATTER rejection.

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Claims 89-90 and 95-97 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

No Claims are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Guzo, Ph.D., whose telephone number is (571) 272-0767. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Woitach, Ph.D., can be reached on (571) 272-0739. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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August 28, 2008

/David Guzo/
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